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SUBJECT: CANADIAN OIL MEASURES.

1. IN RESPONSE TO SERIES OF OIL QUESTIONS IN HOUSE OF COMMONS
ON SEPTEMBER 12 BY MP T.C. DOUGLAS (NDP-BRITISH COLUMBIA),
ENERGY MINISTER MACDONALD MADE FOLLOWING REPLIES:

(1) IN GENERAL TERMS, ALL MAJOR OIL COMPANIES HAVE INDICATED
WILLINGNESS TO COMPLY WITH GOC REQUEST FOR FREEZE ON CRUDE
OIL PRICES UNTIL JANUARY 30, 1974, SUBJECT TO QUALIFICATION
THAT COMPANIES NOT IN POSITION TO EXERCISE CONTROL OVER
NON-OWNED DISTRIBUTORS AND SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CLARIFICATION
AS TO APPLICATION OF REQUEST, WHICH GOC HOPES TO COVER BY
GUIDELINES.

(2) FREEZE PRICE AT WELLHEAD IS AS OF DATE OF ANNOUNCEMENT
(SEPTEMBER 4). GOC HOPES TO INTRODUCE LEGISLATION IN OCTOBER
TO CARRY OUT COMMITMENT TO DIVORCE PRICE OF CANADIAN CRUDE FROM
WORLD PRICE.

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(3) NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD WILL HOLD PUBLIC HEARINGS CONCERNING

QUOTAS FOR EXPORT CONTROL OF OIL. MACDONALD STATED "I SHOULD INDICATE THAT IT WILL STILL BE ENTIRELY RELEVANT TO DETERMINE THE APPROPRIATE LEVEL OF RESERVES AND THEREFORE THE SURPLUS AVAILABLE FOR EXPORT NOTWITHSTANDING THE DECISION WITH REGARD TO A MULTI-PRICE SYSTEM. THERE MAY BE A REQUEST FROM SOME OF THE PARTIES INVOLVED FOR PERHAPS A MONTH'S DELAY TO PREPARE FOR HEARINGS, BUT THEY WILL BE PUBLIC."

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